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SUBJECT: WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION

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1. IN RESPONDING TO THE QUESTIONS POSED IN REFERENCES A, WIPO WAS QUICK TO POINT OUT THAT MOST OF THE ANSWERS WERE INCLUDED IN REFERENCE B, POUCHED TO THE DEPARTMENT ON JANUARY 28, 1976, AND THE REPORT ON STAFF MATTERS (WO/CC/IX) PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TO THE NINTH SESSION OF THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE IN SEPTEMBER 1975. IN THE FACE OF THE URGENCY EXPRESSED IN REFTEL AND POSSIBILITY THAT AIRGRAM MAY NOT HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO ALL PARTS OF THE DEPARTMENT MISSION GENEVA WILL RISK REDUNDANCY.

2. FOLLOWING KEYED TO REFTEL:

PARA 2 (1) THERE ARE 54 PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES IN WIPO

(B) OF WHOM 5 ARE WOMEN

(C) ALL 54 ARE DIRECTLY EMPLOYED

(D) IN 1970 THER WERE 31 PROFESSIONALS

DIRECTLY EMPLOYED (THE FIGURES FOR THE

NUMBER OF WOMEN, EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS

THEN EMPLOYED ARE NOT AVAILABLE).

PARA 2 (A) US NATIONALS IN 1976; 3 OF 54 OR 5 PERCENT

US NATIONALS IN 1970; 1 OF 31 OR 3 PERCENT.

(B) NONE OF THE ABOVE US NATIONALS ARE SOMEN

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(C) THE THREE OTHER COUNTRIES WITH THE HIGHEST

PERCENTAGE OF PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES ARE:

(1) FRANCE - 12 EMPLOYEES IN 1976 2 OF WHOM ARE SOMEN; 6 EMPLOYEES IN 1970 (NUMBER OF FEMALES IN 1970 NOT AVAILABLE).

(2) SWITZERLAND - 7 EMPLOYEES IN 1976 NONE OF WHOM ARE WOMEN; 8 EMPLOYEES IN 1970.

(3) UNITED KINGDOM - 6 EMPLOYEES ON 1976, ONE OF WHOM IS A WOMAN; 5 EMPLOYEES IN 1970.

(D) IN REGARD TO THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES BY COUNTRY, WIPO (AS APPROVED BY THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE IN SEPTEMBER 1975) FOLLOWS A LONG-TERM PLAN FOR FILLING VACANT POSTS ON A REGIONAL BASIS AS FOLLOWS: POSTS

LATIN AMERICAN AND THE CARIBBEAN: 4 TO 6 POSTS

NORTH AMERICA: 5 TO 7 POSTS (NOTE: WIPO APOLOGIZES FOR THE MATHEMATICAL ERROR IN WO/CC/IX WHICH GIVES 6 TO 8 POSTS TO NORTH AMERICA.)

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC: 6 TO 8 POSTS

EASTERN EUROPE: 7 - 9 POSTS

WESTERN EUROPE: 20-24 POSTS

MIDDLE EAST: 2-4 POSTS

3. IN ADDITION TO THE NUMBER OF PROFESSIONALS REGULARLY EMPLOYED MENTIONED ABOVE, WIPO IS USING THE SERVICES OF THREE CONSULTANTS PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, JAPAN, AND THE USA. THERE ARE FIVE EXPERTS EMPLOYED ON A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT IN BRAZIL FINANCED BY UNDP AND THESE COME FROM THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY (2), THE NETHERLANDS (1) AND THE USA (2). IN ADDITION, ONE AMERICAN IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED BY WIPO ON A DIRECT-HIRE SHORT-TERM CONTRACT. ABRAMS

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